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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

Thank you for providing the opportunity for public comment on the proposed settlement of the Microsoft antitrust lawsuit. I support this settlement wholeheartedly and without reservation.

As I understand the settlement, Microsoft has taken steps to open its Windows operating systems to more competition from non-Microsoft software programs. This will help competing Internet providers, messaging services, and media playing systems that may in the past have faced barriers to being installed or pre-installed on Windows. This is good news for both the computer industry and consumers.

I hope that you move forward quickly after January 28, 2002, and end this litigation. I think the Clinton

administration-initiated litigation against Microsoft has had a devastating effect on the tech sector of our economy and the entire economy as a whole. I cannot imagine anyone thinking that the advancements over the last 10 years, fueled by Microsoft products have had anything but a positive effect on the consumer and country. I appreciate the opportunity to comment and I appreciate your time.

Sincerely,

Roger Bailey

cc: Representative John Hostettler